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In re Application of: ) Confirmation No.: 4021  
Tom Dominique Linster, et al. ) Docket No.: DN2002127  
For: TIRE WITH TREAD OF RUBBER AND ) Art Unit: 1722  
CARBON BLACK WITH SILICA DOMAINS ) Examiner: Kriellion Antionette Sanders  
ON ITS SURFACE PREPARED BY )  
EXTENDED REACTIVE MIXING )  
Serial No.: 10/618,032 )  
Filed: July 11, 2003 )

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STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir:

The above-referenced patent application was filed on July 11, 2003. Information Disclosure Statements were filed by Applicants on July 22, 2003 and December 8, 2003. A Notice of Publication of Application was subsequently received by the Attorney of Record on March 12, 2004. No correspondence has been filed or received since that date and, therefore, Applicants are respectfully inquiring as to the status of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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